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a. Source: Printed invitation				
b. Type of Event:  Reception & Dinner  William J. Donovan Award to be presented to  c. Special Occasion:  His Excellency Jacques Chaban-Delmas				
d. Hosted By:  Committee of the O.S.S.  1900 - Reception  e. Date/Time:  2000 - Dinner Tuesday, 25 September 1979	1900 - Reception			
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## The Committee

requests the pleasure of your company at the Veterans of the O.S.S. 1979 Dinner

and Presentation of

The William J. Donovan Award

to

His Excellency Jacques Chaban-Delmas
on Tuesday evening, the twenty-fifth of September
Nineteen hundred and seventy-nine
at eight o'clock

International Ballroom West, The Washington Hilton Washington, District of Columbia

Reception seven o'clock International Ballroom East R.S.V.P. Card enclosed Tickets at the door

Black tie
Dress uniform
Decorations



### The Donovan Award

- 1962 THE HONORABLE ALLEN W. DULLES
- 1963 THE HONORABLE JOHN J. McCLOY
- 1964 LIEUTENANT GENERAL WILLIAM W. QUINN
- 1965 GENERAL OF THE ARMY DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER
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- 1967 THE HONORABLE EVERETT McKinley Dirksen
- 1969 J. Russell Forgan
- 1970 THE ASTRONAUTS OF APOLLO 11
- 1971 THE HONORABLE DAVID K. E. BRUCE
- 1974 THE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. CASEY
- 1977 THE HONORABLE ROBERT D. MURPHY

The Veterans of the Office of Strategic Services will award the William J. Donovan medal to an individual who has rendered distinguished service in the interests of the United States and the cause of freedom. Any citizen of the Free World will be eligible.

The purpose of this award is to foster a tradition and spirit of the kind of service to country and the cause of freedom which William J. Donovan rendered in both his private and public capacities. He was the exemplar of the citizen-soldier-diplomat who valiantly served his country and the cause of freedom throughout the world. This award, as a perpetual parallel, will be made to an individual who, in his activities, exemplifies the spirit, the tradition and the distinguishing features which characterized General Donovan's career. These include a continuing concern for the world's security and safety, for the role which the United States must play in the world, and for the rights, freedoms and welfare of individuals in our society. Perhaps the most unique feature of General Donovan's life was the continuing expression of these concerns in his private life and activities as well as in public service.

Specifically, in General Donovan's career these features were expressed, as one of America's leading citizen-soldiers, as ambassador, as intelligence chief, as assistant Attorney General, as lawyer in the courtroom and in the office, as private traveler seeing what he could learn for the benefit of his country.

The recipient of the Donovan medal will be an individual who has, in his own career, outstandingly exemplified these features of Donovan's career. He will be selected by a committee appointed by the President of the Veterans of the O.S.S.

The award will take the form of a medal, carrying a likeness of General Donovan.

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August 21, 1979

Dear Comrades,

Your committees are organizing a great evening on September 25 honoring Jacques Chaban-Delmas. Now President of the French National Assembly, Mr. Chaban-Delmas has had an interesting career characterized by his fearlessness and dedication to his country which liken him to General Donovan. What free time he has, he enjoys spending with wartime secret operatives.

To most of us the great joy of our meetings is seeing old friends and this year's VSS reunion gives us the chance to spend more time together than usual. We have planned an informal dutch treat luncheon at the University Club in downtown Washington at 1 p.m. on September 25. Informed speakers from our membership will tell us about current developments in both US intelligence and prime foreign trouble spots. Afterward you can visit with friends or rest till the soiree begins.

On a more solemn note, with Mr. Chaban-Delmas we are dedicating an OSS plaque to the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 26. We will also lay a wreath on General Donovan's tomb nearby. You are all invited to join in these tributes of respect and affection for 109.

Wives and guests, of course, are welcome to all events. So please plan to be free from midday September 25 until midday September 26. Details will appear in our next regular mailing.

Our Margaret Wimsatt in Washington has blocked 50 rooms at the Washington Hilton Hotel which must be reserved by September 5. Please advise her promptly if you desire one of these reservations and about which events you plan to attend.

Let's get as many of our alumni, their families and your own guests as we can to participate in these events. We look forward to an exciting program.

Henry B. Hyde

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